

Preliminary Amendment

APPLICANT: H. GEORGE PIRES; SERIAL NO. : 10/723,604;
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that the prosecution of this case can be expedited by a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to call Applicant's attorney at the telephone number indicated hereinbelow.

Respectfully submitted,



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